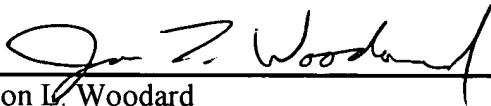


REMARKS

Applicant submits this Preliminary Amendment to revise the PCT based U.S. National Phase Application filed on January 10, 2006. The National Phase Application was originally filed as a close translation of the original German language application. This Preliminary Amendment revises the translated application into a conventional U.S. format. No new matter has been added to the application.

Respectfully Submitted,

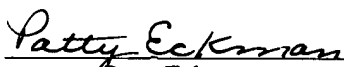


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